Governing Board

June 27, 2013

Madeleine Romanello, Chair Mark Wohl, Vice-Chair

Introductions

- Ms. Romanello, Chair
- ☼ In attendance:

Val Cordova, MB Adult Ed
Trudy Edwards, MBCHC
Elmase Hoffman, PGL
Adriana Kochen, ICFH
Eve Mart, JCS
Carla Oxios, MBSH
Calvetta Phair, On It
Cheryl Polite-Eaford, Choices
Silvia Reyes, Barry (Phone)
Madeleine Romanello, MB Chamber
Deborah Ruggiero, TJC

Jennifer Shipley, MDPLS
Susan Shugar, IEC
Jeff Struchtemeyer, Switchboard
Talmage Thornhill, CMB
Carlos Valdes, Abriendo Puertas
Alexandra Yaya, Open Arms
Nashely Villegas, Switchboard
Mary Behr, Choices
Laura Pena, Open Arms
Natalia Vasquez, Centerplate
Art Martineau, PAL

Miami Dade Public Library System

Partner Presentation

Jennifer Shipley & a colleague presented on the various programs offered by MDPLS, including teen programs, elderly services, free one-on-one reading instruction for adults, Playwrights in Residence youth program, and much more.

Ms. Shipley advised the group that non-profit organizations (including the City) may use the large auditorium in the Miami Beach Regional Library branch once per month free of charge.

Many attendees were interested in staying abreast of MDPLS programs; as such Ms. Shipley provided information on how to sign up for their newsletter.

Open Arms Community Center

Partner Presentation

Alexandra Yaya and Laura Pena presented an overview of the work they do at Open Arms.

Programs include immigration, referral, food, ACCESS for DCF programs, employment services, and emergency services.

The theory is "open arms:" the agency does not turn anyone away and if they cannot assist with a need directly, they will ensure the service need is met through quality referrals.

Ms. Ruggiero pointed out the transportation challenges for our residents and suggested Open Arms hold monthly service days in Miami Beach to increase access for local clients. MDPLS offered to discuss the option of utilizing their space.

Programmatic Update – Morning All Stars

- ☼ Rita Gangi is Program Coordinator; 2013-2014 contract being routed for Aug. 1 start date.
- ☼ All Stars is recruiting participants for its fall program. Youth in grades 6th and 7th are eligible to receive free programming, transportation and snacks.
- ☆ Referral to <u>ritagangi@miamibeachfl.gov</u>

Programmatic Update – Parent-Child Home Program

- ☼ Ms. Cristina Denis, Program Coordinator
 - ☼ Program enrollment is now year-round. Applications are being accepted for participants aged 16 – 36 months and whose parents reside in Miami Beach and meet income/education requirements.
- ☼ Information contact: cristinadenis@miamibeachfl.gov

Programmatic Update – Success University

- ☼ Referrals to Employment Services needed
- ☼ 186 children are currently enrolled
- ☼ Active recruitment for this program year has ended
- Active recruitment for next program year has begun
- ☼ Ensure all of your agency's clients are closed out by July 31st. Any services taking place Aug. 1 or later will NOT be reimbursable.
- Referral to <u>talmagethornhill@miamibeachfl.gov</u>

Partnership Updates

- Discussion to amend Policies and Procedures so the Chair election is on a renewable two-year term.
- Directions will take place in August or September.

Attendees presented many ideas and different perspectives on how the Policies & Procedures should be amended. We were unable to vote as only 6 of 12 voting members were present.

- •Most members are in agreement that we should change the Chair terms to mirror that of the members of the Board (one year terms renewable up to three years)
- •Jeff Struchtemeyer suggested there be a caveat that if the Chair's agency receives direct funding through MPSP, they must step down.
- •Art Martineau stated that terms should definitely be limited
- •Consensus: attendees wish to hold elections in September and complete the Board & CEO evaluations in August.
- •Suggestion: temporary committee to review the overall Policies & Procedures
- •Eve Mart stated that we should move the business items to the front of the meeting and expressed dissatisfaction with the length of the presentations

TCT Funding Recommendation

- ☼ Our Partnership: "Impressive in breadth"
- ♥ Final score of 79.57%
- □ Recommended amount: \$425,000.000 (less than half of our request).

City staff provided attendees with TCT recommendations. Reviewed each item briefly. Staff advised attendees of the discrepanciess published by TCT: SNAP and 604 participants. Staff advised there has been one budget scenario completed and a second will be done this week. Attendees agreed: after discussion with CEO, staff will advise the Board of budget recommendations prior to meeting with TCT.

Elmase Hoffman asked for details on Care Coordination suite; information was provided. She also suggested we consider having interns/master's level students from local colleges provide free tutoring.

The On It Foundation

Partner Announcements

Calvetta Phair shared progress from the On It Foundation and requested volunteers for two upcoming events.

Natalia Vasquez provided information on the Centerplate/Sun Life Stadium fundraising program

Family Service Day 2013

- ☼ Saturday, September 28, 2013 at North Shore Open Space Park.
- ☼ Please highlight your name if you are interested in joining the Committee

Not addressed due to time constraints.

Good & Welfare

- ☼ 2013 Miami Beach Service Day is September 28th. Please mark your calendars.
- *↑ TCT Posters* available here today. Please ensure your business has one posted.
- ♥ *TCT Board Meeting* is Monday, July 8th at 4:00 PM